WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

[*English*]

Export Processings Zones

*121. SHRI ANADI CHARAN DAS:
DR. KARTIKESWAR PATRA:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE bd pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have set up Export Processing Zones In the country.

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken so far to set up one such zone in Orissa?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Details of the Export Processing Zones set up by the Government are as below:-

1. Kandla Free Trade Zone, Gandhidham, Gujarat.

2. Santacruz Electronics Export Processing Zone, (SEEPZ), Bombay.

3. Madras Export Processing Zone, Madras.

4. Falta Export Processing Zone, Falta (West Bengal).

5. Noida Export Processing Zone, Noida (Uttar Pradesh).

6. Cochin Export Processing Zone, Cochin (Kerala).

7. Visakhapatnam Export Processing Zone, Visakhapatnam (presently under development).

(c) At present there is no proposal for setting up an Export Processing Zone in Orissa.

[*Translation*]

Assistance to SCs/STs and Backward Classes

*123. SHRI ARJUN SINGH YADAV:
SHRI HARI KEWAL PRASAD:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have formulated any scheme to provide assistance or bank loans to the Scheduled Castes/ Scheduled Tribes and other backward classes for removing poverty in various States during the current year;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the amount proposed to be spent by the Government on this scheme, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): (a) to (c). The Public Sector Banks are under instructions of the Government and Reserve Bank of India (RBI) to extend financial assistance to weaker sections of the society and to Scheduled Castes (SC)/Scheduled Tribes (ST) beneficiaries on an ongoing basis. In the various Schemes/Programmes of the Government to promote self-employment ventures, the following targets have been prescribed for weaker sections of the society and SC/ST beneficiaries in the matter of lending by Public Sector Banks:

1.	Weaker Sections	10% of net bank credit to weaker sections. SC/ST from part of Weaker Sections.
2.	Differential Rate of Interest at 4% rate of interest (DRI)	1% of net bank credit of previous year's advances, out of which 40% should be the share of SC/ST.
4.	Self Employment Programme for Urban Poor (SEPUP)	30% of the amount and account should be for SC/ST.
5.	Self Employment for Educated Unemployment (SEEUY)	30% of the beneficiaries should be SC/ST.

The Integrated Rural Development Programme (IRDP) is the major programme of the Government to assist selected families of target groups in rural areas to cross the poverty line by taking up self-employment ventures. For the year 1991-92, Department of Rural Development of the Government, which administers the IRDP, have allocated a target of 22,51,519 families to the various States and made the budgetary allocation of Rs. 703.61 crores which will be shared equally by Central and State Governments. The State-wise details are given in the enclosed statement.

STATEMENT

Allocation and physical Targets under IRDP - 1991-92 (Final)

(Rs. in lakhs)

State/UT	*Central Share*	*State Share*	*Allocation*	*Physical Targets (Nos)*
1	*2*	*3*	*4*	*5*
Andhra Pradesh	2588.762	2588.762	5177.524	165680
Arunachal Pradesh	234.720	234.720	469.440	15022
Assam	707.028	707.028	1414.056	45249
Bihar	5180.900	5180.900	10361.800	331578
Goa	48.900	48.900	97.800	3129
Gujarat	1066.054	1066.054	2132.103	68227
Haryana	255.097	255.097	510.194	16326
Himachal Pradesh	91.331	91.331	182.662	5845
J & K	127.548	127.548	255.096	8163
Karnataka	1620.339	1620.339	3240.678	103701
Kerala	880.242	880.242	1760.484	56335

State/UT	Central Share	State Share	Allocation	Physical Targets (Nos)
1	2	3	4	5
Madhya Pradesh	3432.787	3432.787	6865.574	219698
Maharashtra	2772.999	2772.999	5545.998	177472
Manipur	20.471	20.471	40.942	1310
Meghalaya	61.412	61.412	122.824	3930
Mizoram	97.800	97.800	195.600	6259
Nagaland	102.690	102.690	205.380	6572
Orissa	1695.923	1695.923	3391.846	108539
Punjab	215.730	215.730	431.460	13806
Rajasthan	1653.407	1653.407	3306.814	105818
Sikkim	19.560	19.560	39.120	1251
Tamil Nadu	2324.217	2324.217	4648.434	148749
Tripura	72.435	72.435	144.870	4635
Uttar Pradesh	6928.561	6928.561	13857.122	443427
West Bengal	2895.824	2895.824	5791.648	185332

State/UT	Central Share	State Share	Allocation	Physical Targets (Nos)
1	2	3	4	5
A & N Islands	48.900	-	48.900	1564
D & N Haveli	9.780	-	9.780	312
Daman & Diu	19.560	-	19.560	625
Delhi	48.900	-	48.900	1564
Lakshadweep	5.000	-	5.000	150
Pondichery	39.120	-	39.120	1251
Total	35265.997	35094.737	70360.734	2251519